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| Inverness Securities, LLC                   | , as   |
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# INVERNESS SECURITIES, LLC (a limited liability company)

**December 31, 2007 and 2006** 

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

AND SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION



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#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

To the Board of Directors Inverness Securities, LLC:

We have audited the accompanying statements of financial condition of Inverness Securities, LLC (the Company) as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the related statements of operations, changes in member's equity and cash flows for the years then ended that you are filing pursuant to Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Company's management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audits.

We conducted our audits in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audits to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audits provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Inverness Securities, LLC as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the years then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

Our audits were conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The supplemental information contained on pages 9 and 10 is presented for purposes of additional analysis and is not a required part of the basic financial statements, but is supplementary information required by Rule 17a-5 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in our opinion, is fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole.

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February 25, 2008

## STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL CONDITION

December 31, 2007 and 2006

| ASSETS                                |           | 2007    |           | 2006   |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|---------|-----------|--------|
| 700210                                |           |         |           |        |
| Cash and cash equivalents             | \$        | 33,130  | \$        | 26,807 |
| Accounts receivable                   |           | 96,490  |           | 59,008 |
| Other assets                          |           | 7,133   |           | 6,778  |
|                                       | <u>\$</u> | 136,753 | \$        | 92,593 |
| LIABILITIES AND MEMBER'S EQUITY       |           |         |           |        |
| Accounts payable and accrued expenses | \$        | 18,089  | \$        | 16,931 |
| Member's equity                       |           | 118,664 |           | 75,662 |
|                                       | <u>\$</u> | 136,753 | <u>\$</u> | 92,593 |

### STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

|   | 2007       | 2006       |
|---|------------|------------|
| Revenues:                               |            |            |
| Monthly advisory fees                   | \$ 3,267   | \$ 4,121   |
| Commissions                             | 282,430    | 251,109    |
| 12b-1 fees                              | 97,095     | 96,762     |
| Fee income                              | 270,661    | 226,169    |
| Total revenues                          | 653,453    | 578,161    |
| Expenses:                               |            |            |
| Exchange and processing support fees    | 14,332     | 14,305     |
| Ticket charges                          | 152,696    | 116,441    |
| Bank charges                            | 171        | 150        |
| Legal and professional fees             | 6,693      | 8,417      |
| Dues and subscriptions                  | 8,313      | 3,894      |
| Insurance                               | 443        | 503        |
| Regulatory fees, licenses, and permits  | 7,921      | 6,690      |
| Office supplies, postage, and delivery  | 6,614      | 4,561      |
| Rent                                    | 15,600     | 15,600     |
| Salaries and benefits                   | 62,400     | 62,400     |
| Registered representatives' commissions | 31,834     | 28,372     |
| Telephone                               | 876        | 876        |
| Miscellaneous                           | ~          | 310        |
| Travel and entertainment                | 6,569      | 6,180      |
| Total expenses                          | 314,462    | 268,699    |
| Other income:                           |            |            |
| Other income                            | 35,000     | -          |
| Interest income                         | 2,436      | 2,171      |
|   | 37,436     | 2,171      |
| Net income                              | \$ 376,427 | \$ 311,633 |

# STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBER'S EQUITY for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

| Member's equity, January 1, 2006   | \$<br>94,045  |
|------------------------------------|---------------|
| Net income                         | 311,633       |
| Contributions from member          | 94,520        |
| Distributions to member            | <br>(424,536) |
| Member's equity, December 31, 2006 | 75,662        |
| Net income                         | 376,427       |
| Contributions from member          | 93,999        |
| Distributions to member            | (427,424)     |
| Member's equity, December 31, 2007 | \$<br>118,664 |

# STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

|   | 2007        |           | 2006      |           |
|---|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Cash flows from operating activities:             |             |           |           |           |
| Net income  | \$          | 376,427   | \$        | 311,633   |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities:      |             |           |           |           |
| Increase in accounts receivable                   |             | (37,482)  |           | (11,796)  |
| Increase in other assets                          |             | (355)     |           | (1,643)   |
| Increase in accounts payable and accrued expenses |             | 1,158     |           | 10,714    |
| Net cash provided by operating activities         |             | 339,748   |           | 308,908   |
| Cash flows from financing activities:             |             |           |           |           |
| Contributions from member                         |             | 93,999    |           | 94,520    |
| Distributions to member                           |             | (427,424) |           | (424,536) |
| Net cash used in financing activities             | <del></del> | (333,425) |           | (330,016) |
| Net increase (decrease) in cash                   |             | 6,323     |           | (21,108)  |
| Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year      |             | 26,807    |           | 47,915    |
| Cash and cash equivalents, end of year            | \$          | 33,130    | <u>\$</u> | 26,807    |

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

### 1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies:

Company Activities – Inverness Securities, LLC (the Company) is a broker-dealer registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and the State of Ohio, and is a member of the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA).

The Company is engaged in a single line of business as a securities broker-dealer, which comprises several classes of services, including agency transactions.

Securities Transactions – Customers' securities transactions and related commission income and expenses are reported on a trade date basis. Amounts receivable and payable for securities transactions that have not reached their contractual settlement date are recorded net on the statements of financial condition.

Cash and Cash Equivalents – The Company maintains its cash in deposit accounts, which, at times, may exceed federally insured limits. The Company has not experienced any significant losses in such accounts. Management of the Company believes it is not exposed to any significant credit risk.

The Company considers financial instruments with a maturity of less than 90 days to be cash equivalents.

Expenses - Clearing expenses are recorded on a trade date basis as securities transactions occur.

Concentration of Credit Risk – The Company is engaged in various trading and brokerage activities in which counterparties primarily include broker-dealers, banks, and other financial institutions. In the event counterparties do not fulfill their obligations, the Company may be exposed to risk. The risk of default depends on the creditworthiness of the counterparty or issuer of the instrument. It is the Company's policy to review, as necessary, the credit standing of each counterparty.

Accounts Receivable – Accounts receivable are uncollateralized commission obligations due under normal trade terms requiring payments within 30 days from the report date. The Company generally collects receivables within 30 days and does not charge interest on accounts receivable with invoice dates over 30 days old.

Accounts receivable are stated at the amount billed. Payments of accounts receivable are allocated to the specific invoices identified on the remittance advice or, if unspecified, are applied to the earliest unpaid invoices.

## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

### 1. <u>Summary of Significant Accounting Policies</u>, Continued:

The carrying amount of accounts receivable is reduced by a valuation allowance that reflects management's best estimate of the amounts that will not be collected. Management individually reviews all accounts receivable balances that exceed 90 days from the invoice date and based on an assessment of current credit worthiness, estimates the portion, if any, of the balance that will not be collected. Additionally, management estimates an allowance for the aggregate remaining accounts receivable based on historical collectibility. At December 31, 2007 and 2006, there were no accounts receivable that exceeded 90 days past due. In the opinion of management, at December 31, 2007 and 2006, all accounts were considered collectible and no allowance was necessary.

*Income Taxes* – The Company is a limited liability company whose taxable income or loss is taxed directly to its member. Accordingly, there is no provision for income taxes.

Estimates – Management uses estimates and assumptions in preparing financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. Those estimates and assumptions affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities, the disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities, and the reported revenue and expenses. Actual results could vary from the estimates that were used.

#### 2. Related Parties:

The Company is affiliated through common management and ownership with another limited liability corporation. The Company has an expense sharing agreement with the affiliated company for certain expenses related to rent, salaries and benefits, technology, utilities, and supplies. The Company's allocation of shared expenses totaled approximately \$92,000 in 2007 and 2006.

### 3. Net Capital Provision of Rule 15c3-1:

Pursuant to the net capital provisions of Rule 15c3-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Company is required to maintain a minimum net capital balance, as defined, under such provisions.

The Company's minimum capital requirement is the greater of \$5,000 or 6-\%% of aggregate indebtedness, as defined, under Securities and Exchange Commission Rule 15c3-1(a)(1), as it does not maintain customer accounts. Net capital may fluctuate on a daily basis. At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the Company had net capital of \$111,199 and \$68,666, respectively, which was \$106,199 and \$63,666, respectively, in excess of its required net capital of \$5,000.

# NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS, Continued for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

### 3. Net Capital Provision of Rule 15c3-1, Continued:

In addition to the minimum net capital provisions, Rule 15c3-1 requires that the Company maintain a ratio of aggregate indebtedness, as defined, to net capital, of not more than 15 to 1. At December 31, 2007 and 2006, the ratio was .16 to 1 and .25 to 1, respectively.

### 4. Exemption From Rule 15c3-3:

The Company acts as an introducing broker or dealer, promptly transmitting all funds and delivering all securities received in connection with its activities as a broker or dealer and does not otherwise hold funds or securities for or owe money or securities to customers. The Company operates under Section (k)(2)(ii) of Rule 15c3-3 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and is therefore exempt from the requirements of Rule 15c3-3.

# SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULE OF COMPUTATION OF NET CAPITAL PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-1 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION December 31, 2007 and 2006

|   | 2007       | 2006             |
|---|------------|------------------|
| Net capital:  Total member's equity from statement of financial condition                       | \$ 118,664 | \$ 75,662        |
| Less nonallowable assets  | (7,133)    | (6,778)          |
| Net capital before haircuts on securities:  | 111,531    | 68,884           |
| Haircuts on securities  | (332)      | (218)            |
| Net capital   | \$ 111,199 | \$ 68,666        |
| Computation of aggregate indebtedness - total liabilities from statement of financial condition | \$ 18,089  | <u>\$ 16,931</u> |
| Computation of basic net capital requirement - 6-2/3% of aggregate indebtedness                 | \$ 1,206   | \$ 1,129         |
| Minimum required net capital  | \$ 5,000   | \$ 5,000         |
| Net capital requirement   | \$ 5,000   | \$ 5,000         |
| Excess net capital  | \$ 106,199 | \$ 63,666        |
| Ratio of aggregate indebtedness to net capital  | 16 to 1    | 25 to 1          |

A reconciliation of the computation of net capital under Rule 15c3-1 as included in the Company's unaudited Form X-17a-5 as of December 31, 2007 and 2006, filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and the amount included in the above computation is not required as there were no audit adjustments.

SUPPLEMENTAL SCHEDULES OF COMPUTATION FOR DETERMINATION OF RESERVE REQUIREMENTS AND INFORMATION RELATING TO POSSESSION OR CONTROL REQUIREMENTS PURSUANT TO RULE 15c3-3 OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

for the years ended December 31, 2007 and 2006

The Company is not required to present the schedules "Computation for Determination of Reserve Requirements: Under Rule 15c3-3" and "Information for Possession or Control Requirements Under Rule 15c3-3" as it meets the exemptive provisions of Rule 15c3-3, under Section (k)(2)(ii) of the Rule.



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL REQUIRED BY SEC RULE 17a-5

To the Board of Directors Inverness Securities, LLC:

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of Inverness Securities, LLC (the Company), as of and for the year ended December 31, 2007 in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered the Company's internal control over financial reporting (internal control) as a basis for designing our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of the Company's internal control.

Also, as required by rule 17a-5(g)(1) of the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), we have made a study of the practices and procedures followed by the Company including consideration of control activities for safeguarding securities. This study included tests of such practices and procedures that we considered relevant to the objectives stated in rule 17a-5(g) in making the periodic computations of aggregate indebtedness (or aggregate debits) and net capital under rule 17a-3(a)(11) and for determining compliance with the exemptive provisions of rule 15c3-3. Because the Company does not carry securities accounts for customers or perform custodial functions relating to customer securities, we did not review the practices and procedures followed by the Company in any of the following:

- 1. Making quarterly securities examinations, counts, verifications, and comparisons and recordation of differences required by rule 17a-13
- 2. Complying with the requirements for prompt payment for securities under Section 8 of Federal Reserve Regulation T of the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

The management of the Company is responsible for establishing and maintaining internal control and the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph. In fulfilling this responsibility, estimates and judgments by management are required to assess the expected benefits and related costs of controls and of the practices and procedures referred to in the preceding paragraph and to assess whether those practices and procedures can be expected to achieve the SEC's above-mentioned objectives. Two of the objectives of internal control and the practices and procedures are to provide management with reasonable but not absolute assurance that assets for which the Company has responsibility are safeguarded against loss from unauthorized use or

disposition and that transactions are executed in accordance with management's authorization and recorded properly to permit the preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles. Rule 17a-5(g) lists additional objectives of the practices and procedures listed in the preceding paragraph.

Because of inherent limitations in internal control and the practices and procedures referred to above, error or fraud may occur and not be detected. Also, projection of any evaluation of them to future periods is subject to the risk that they may become inadequate because of changes in conditions or that the effectiveness of their design and operation may deteriorate.

A control deficiency exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees, in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent or detect misstatements on a timely basis. A significant deficiency is a control deficiency, or combination of control deficiencies, that adversely affects the entity's ability to initiate, authorize, record, process, or report financial data reliably in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles such that there is more than a remote likelihood that a misstatement of the entity's financial statements that is more than inconsequential will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

A material weakness is a significant deficiency, or combination of significant deficiencies, that results in more than a remote likelihood that a material misstatement of the financial statements will not be prevented or detected by the entity's internal control.

Our consideration of internal control was for the limited purpose described in the first and second paragraphs and would not necessarily identify all deficiencies in internal control that might be material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control and control activities for safeguarding securities that we consider to be material weaknesses, as defined above.

We understand that practices and procedures that accomplish the objectives referred to in the second paragraph of this report are considered by the SEC to be adequate for its purposes in accordance with the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and related regulations, and that practices and procedures that do not accomplish such objectives in all material respects indicate a material inadequacy for such purposes. Based on this understanding and on our study, we believe that the Company's practices and procedures, as described in the second paragraph of this report, were adequate at December 31, 2007, to meet the SEC's objectives.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of the Board of Directors, management, the SEC, and other regulatory agencies that rely on rule 17a-5(g) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 in their regulation of registered brokers and dealers, and is not intended to be and should not be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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February 25, 2008

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